

Executive Proclamation

State of South Dakota

Office of the Governor

Whereas, Dorothy Marie Melicek Donohue was born on August 25, 1919, and worked in the Quartermaster Corps in service to our nation during World War II; and,

Whereas, Dorothy and her beloved, Parnell Donohue, married on June 18, 1949, and have been blessed by the births of children Mary Suzanne, Margaret Anne, Maureen DeSales, and Patrick Joseph, and grandchildren Molly and John; and,

Whereas, Dorothy has been a caring, loving, and wonderful wife, mother, grandmother, and mother-in-law to her husband, children, grandchildren, and sons-in-law, David and Jerry; and,

Whereas, Dorothy served as the executive director of Cystic Fibrosis of South Dakota and has been an inspiring leader and member of many service organizations, such as the Civic Fine Arts Center, Washington Pavilion, Junior League, Women's Club, National Association for Mental Illness, Avera McKennan Hospital Auxiliary, Saint Mary's Altar Society, Catholic Daughters, Catholic Literacy, Questers, Legion of Mary, and many others; and,

Whereas, Dorothy is a wonderful friend to thousands of people throughout South Dakota and our nation; and,

Whereas, Dorothy resides in Sioux Falls, South Dakota, previously lived in Bonesteel and Pierre, and celebrated her 90th birthday with all the good wishes, fanfare, and celebration such a milestone warrants, as her friends and relatives gathered to honor her and celebrate her life; and,

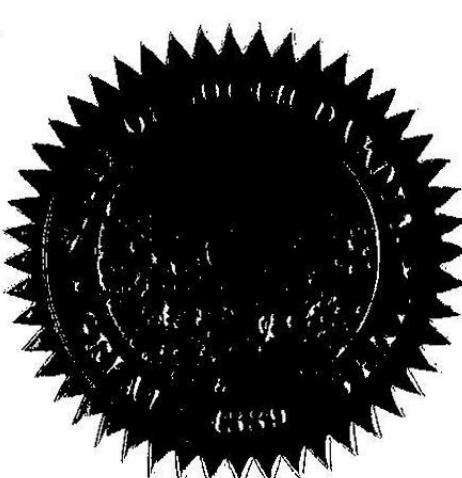
Whereas, It is fitting and proper for the Governor of South Dakota to make special recognition of this milestone in the life of a woman who has lived an exemplary life for all to emulate:

Now, Therefore, I, M. Michael Rounds, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim August 25, 2009, through August 24, 2010, as

DOROTHY DONOHUE'S YEAR

in South Dakota.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Twenty-third Day of September in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Nine.



M. Michael Rounds, Governor

Attest:

Chris Nelson, Secretary of State